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# Sensitivity Analysis for Multidisciplinary Systems (SAMS)



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# AFRL-NASA Collaboration



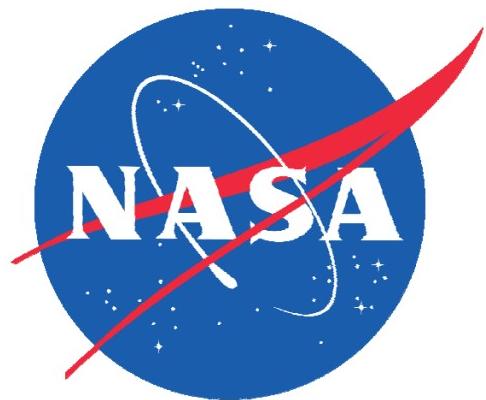
Provide  
economical, accurate sensitivities  
for multidisciplinary design  
and analysis

Computational AeroSciences



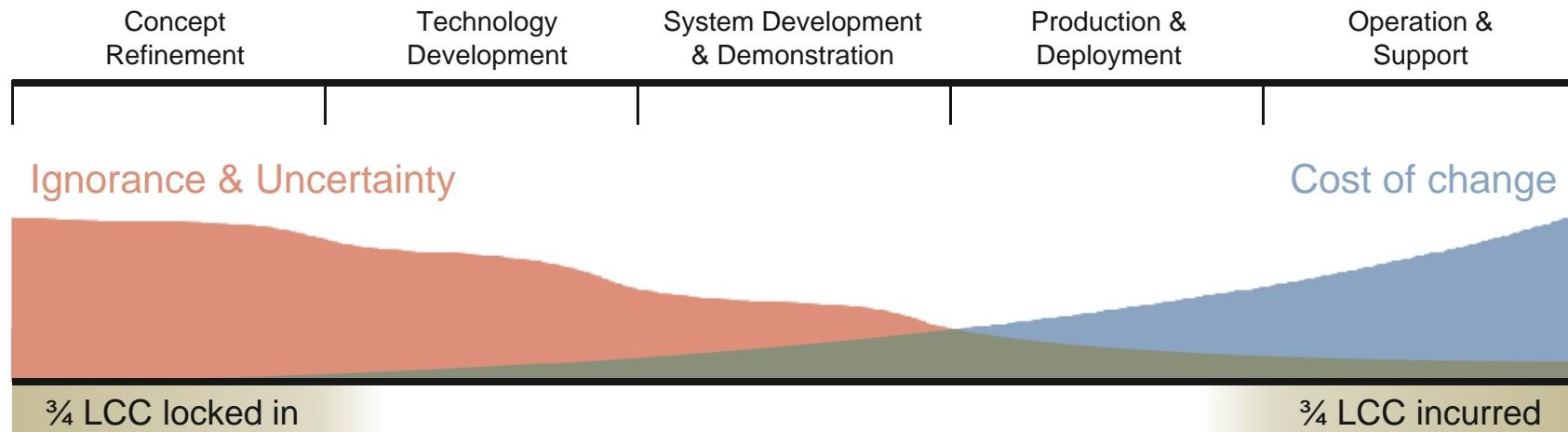
## SAMS Overview

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# Cost & Capability



- Knowledge is most limited when majority of cost is locked in
- Limited knowledge inevitably leads to mistakes
- Changes become more expensive over time
- Correcting/accepting mistakes means cost growth and/or lost capability

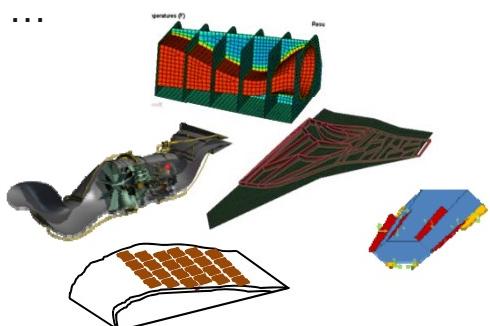




# Technology Impact

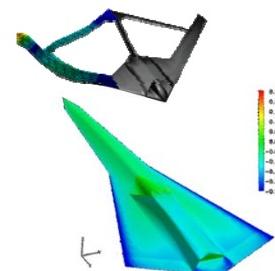
## Candidate Technologies

- Aeroelastic wing
- Flutter suppression
- Third stream engine
- Advanced materials
- Thrust vectoring
- Innovative control effectors
- Directed energy
- Conformal load bearing antennas
- ...



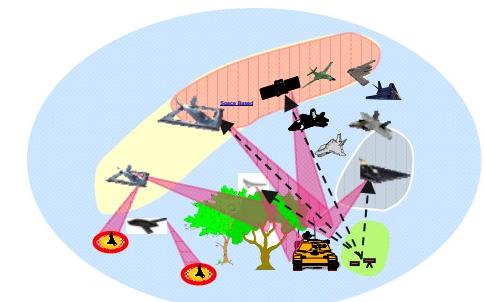
## Engineering Capability

- Weight
- Drag
- Roll performance
- Yaw performance
- RCS
- Fuel efficiency
- Sensor efficiency
- ...



## Mission Capability

- Life cycle cost
- Survivability
- Maintainability
- Kills per \$
- IDs per \$
- ...

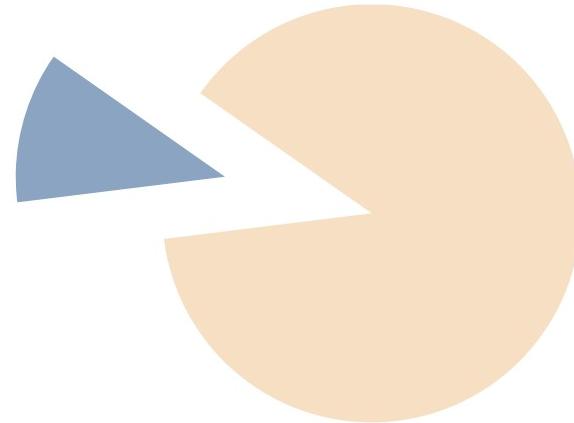


Use accurate physical models to obtain

$$\frac{\partial(\text{Mission Capability})}{\partial(\text{Technology})}$$



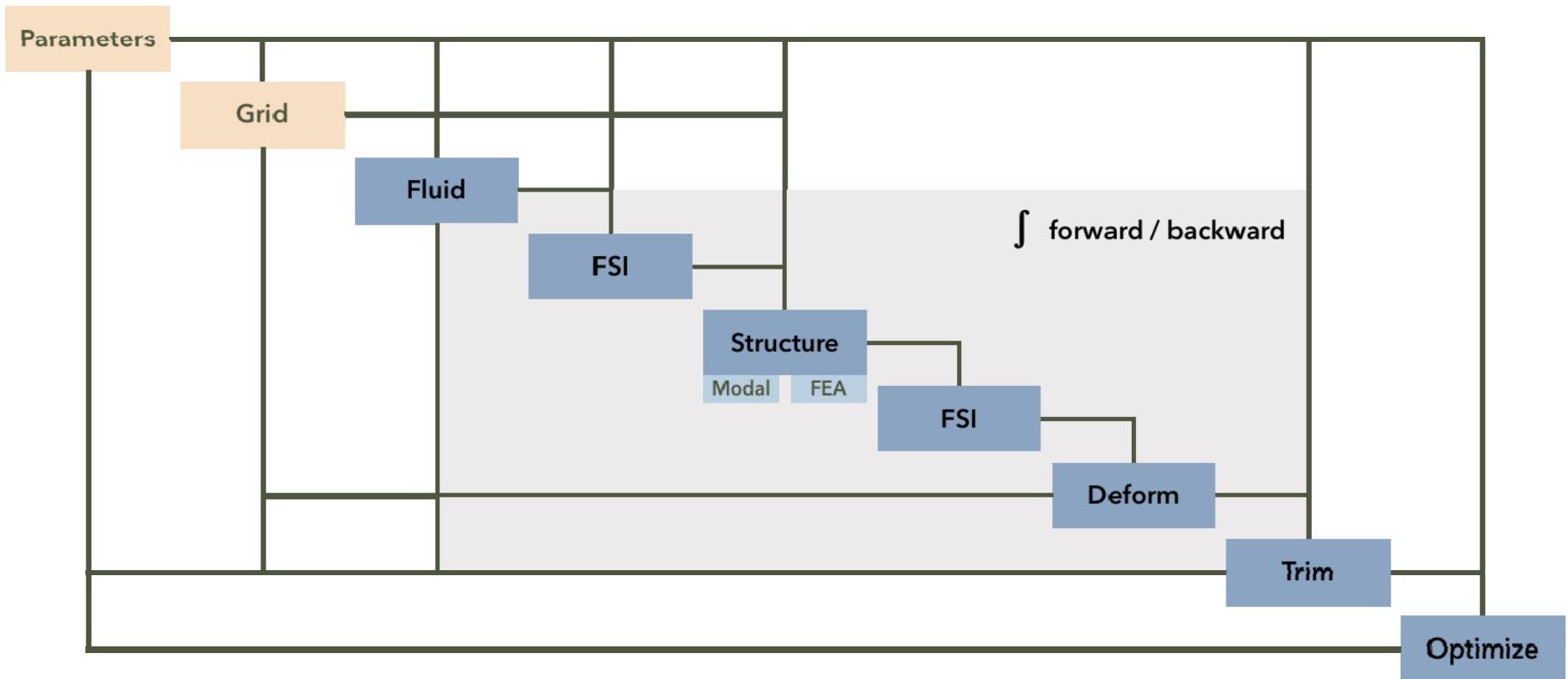
# Contribution



- CFD-based analytic aeroelastic sensitivities
- Steady and transient solutions
- Nonlinear structural dynamics
- Demonstrated capability
- Enhanced FUN3D



# Components

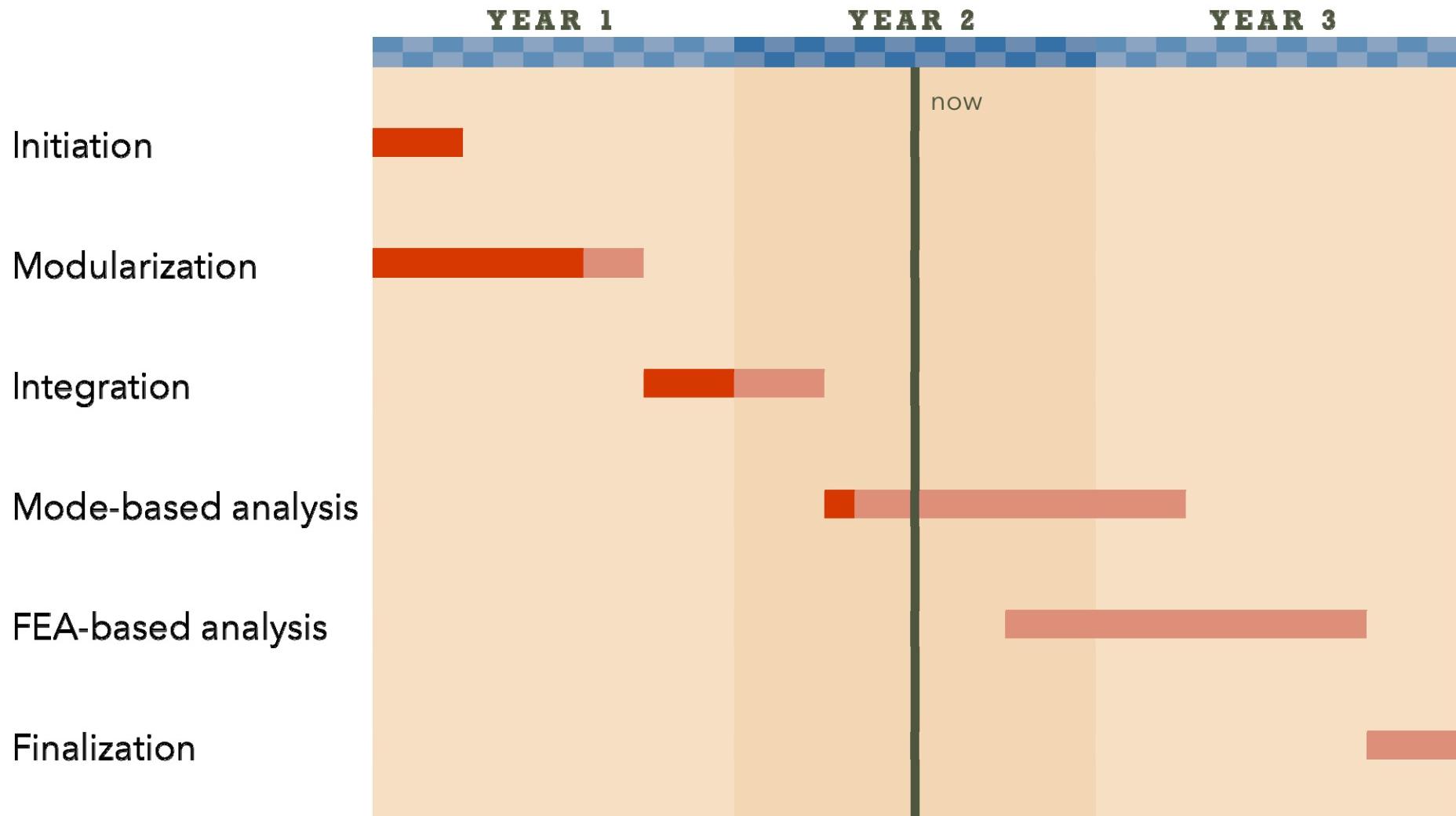


## LEGEND

- SAMS component
- External component

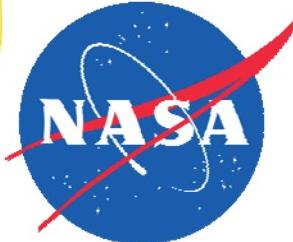


# Schedule





# Current and Potential Customers



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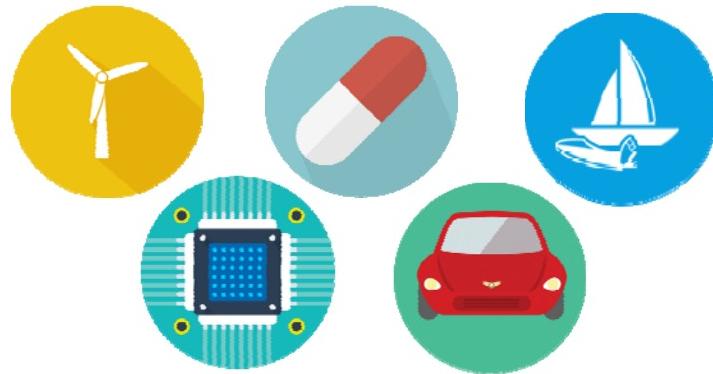
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**Pratt & Whitney**  
A United Technologies Company



## Academia



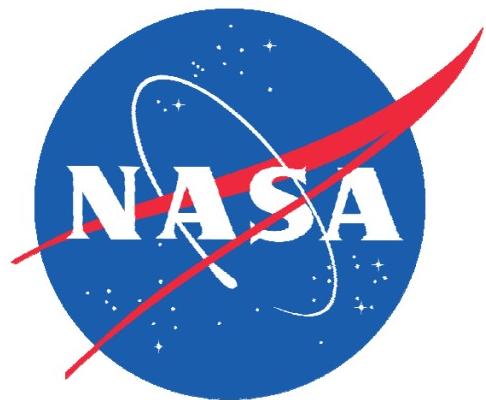
## Aerospace companies

## Other industries



# Hermes Integration Framework

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# Layered Networking

Components in a multidisciplinary simulation each have their own communication requirements, driving a layered networking model

## MSTC Engineering <<or similar>>

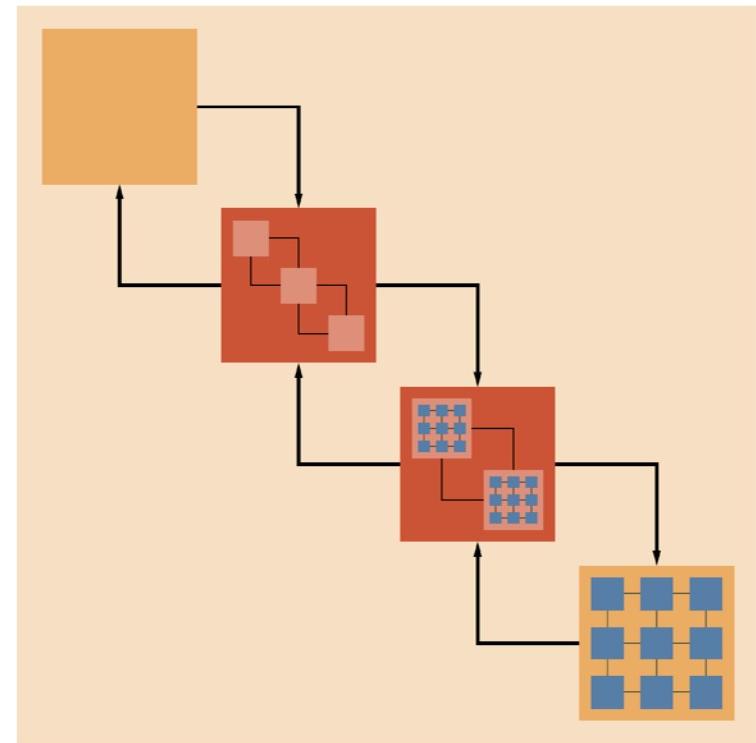
- MADO process model
- Geographically distributed components

## Hermes <<built for SAMS>>

- Fast coupling for unsteady analysis
- Locally distributed components

## MPI

- Very fast coupling within a component
- Execution on a cluster/supercomputer



Notional  $N^2$  diagram

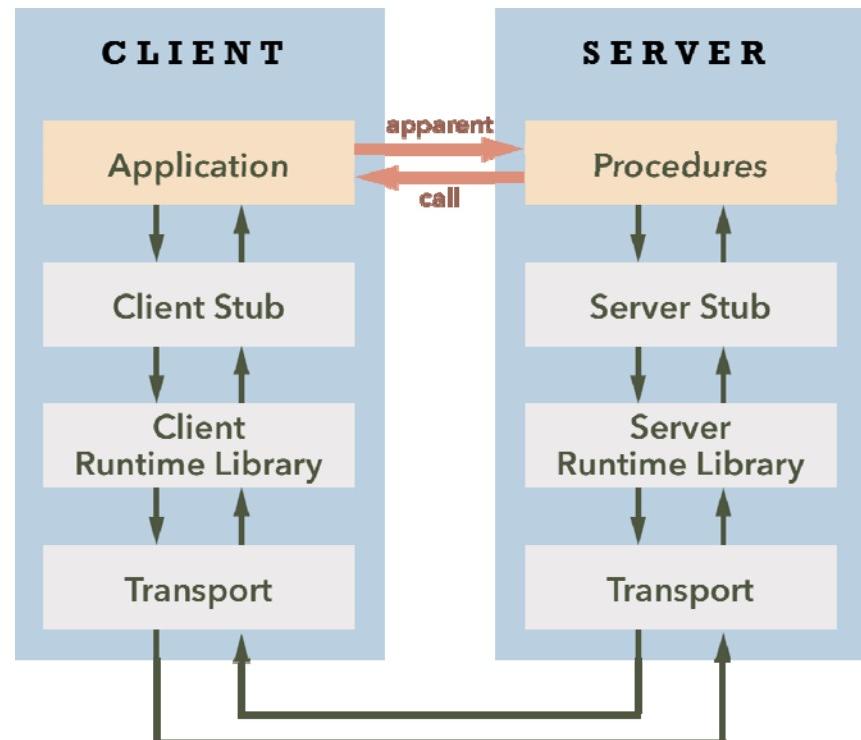


# Hermes Framework

## Characteristics

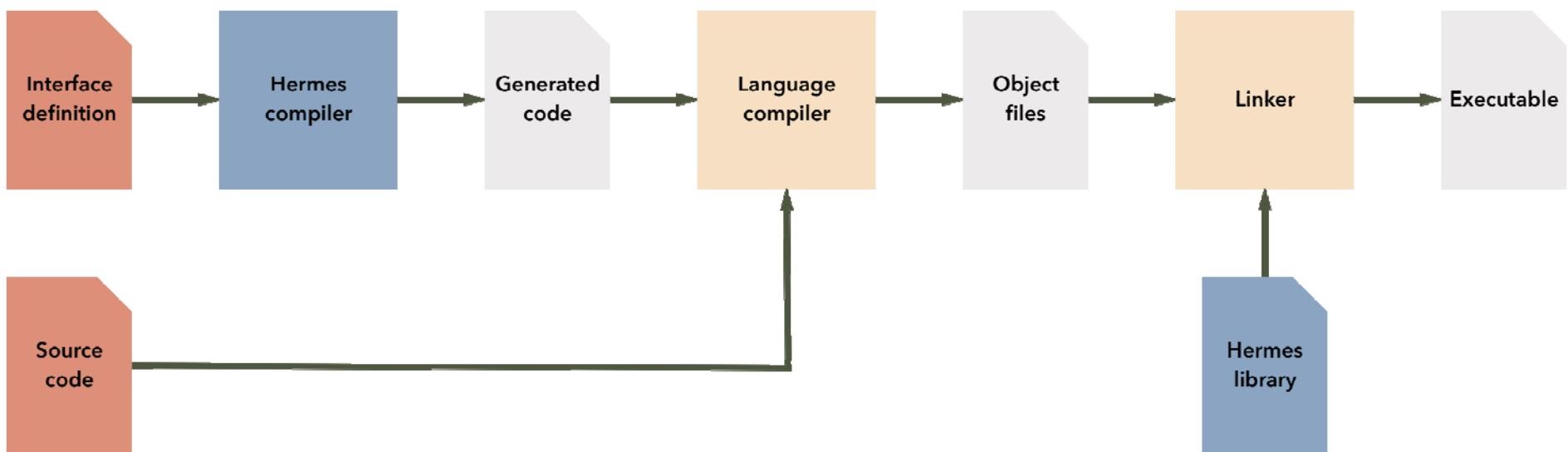
- Remote procedure calls
- Cross-language
  - C++
  - Fortran 2003
  - Python
  - ...
- Built on ØMQ
  - Client-server communication
  - Message based
  - Several transport protocols
  - Several messaging patterns

## Remote Procedure Call





# Process



## LEGEND

- Written by a developer
- Hermes components
- Other tools
- Generated files



# Interface Definition



```
structure point {  
    real64 x,  
    real64 y  
}  
  
exception oops {  
    int32 code  
}  
  
interface geometry {  
  
    point centroid(vector<point> ps) throws (oops),  
    real64 distance(point p, point q)  
}
```

Defines a server's remotely callable procedures



# Server and Client Code

## Server

```
from geometry import Point, Geometry
import math
import zmq

class Server(Geometry.Server):
    def distance(self, p, q):
        dx = q.x - p.x
        dy = q.y - p.y
        return math.sqrt(dx * dx + dy * dy)
    def centroid(self, ps):
        x = sum([p.x for p in ps]) / len(ps)
        y = sum([p.y for p in ps]) / len(ps)
        return Point(x, y)

addr = 'tcp://*:49152'
ctx = zmq.Context()
srv = Server(ctx, addr, zmq.REP)
srv.serve()
srv.close()
ctx.destroy()
```

## Client

```
from geometry import Point, Geometry
import zmq

addr = 'tcp://localhost:49152'
ctx = zmq.Context()
cli = Geometry.Client(ctx, addr, zmq.REQ)

p = Point(1.2, 3.4)
q = Point(5.6, 7.8)
c = cli.centroid([p, q])
d = cli.distance(p, q)

cli.close()
ctx.destroy()
```

Developer can focus on the business logic



# Future Directions

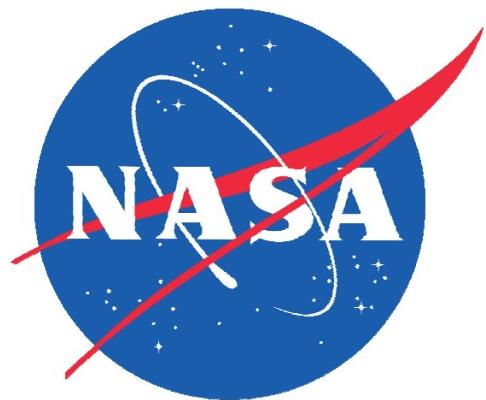


- Expand type support in Fortran
- Develop better documentation
- Optimize for performance
- Support more programming languages
- Asynchronous "futures" model



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## MAST & YAMSS Structural Solvers





# MAST



## Multidisciplinary Design, Adaptation, & Sensitivity Toolkit

- Elasticity, heat transfer, & compressible flow
- Adjoint solver for sensitivity analysis
- High-order finite elements
- Feature-based and goal-oriented adaptation
- MPI- and thread-based parallelism



# Structures



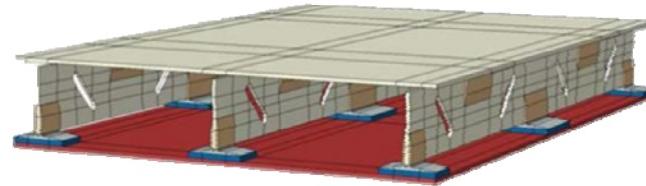
- Buckling, modal, steady, & transient problems
- Linear and nonlinear elements
- Geometric and material nonlinearities
- Can solve linear analysis about nonlinear point



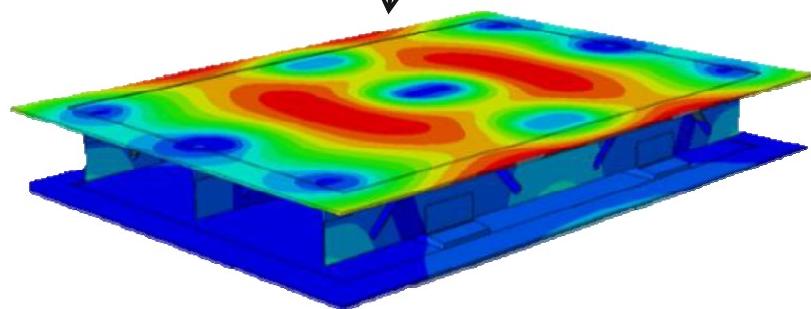
# Example Application



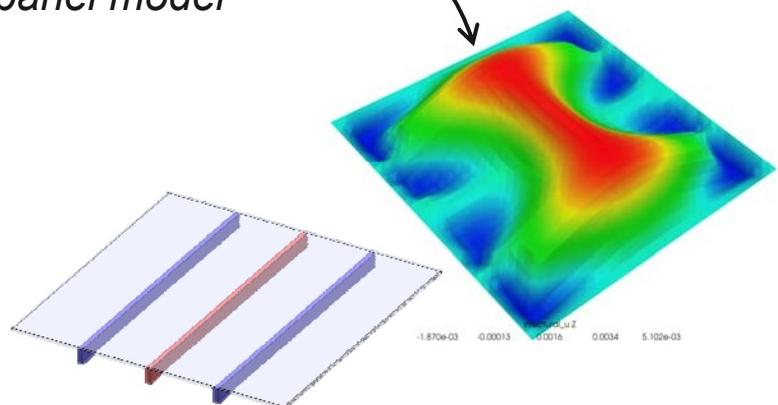
*Boeing X-51*



*hypersonic aircraft panel model*



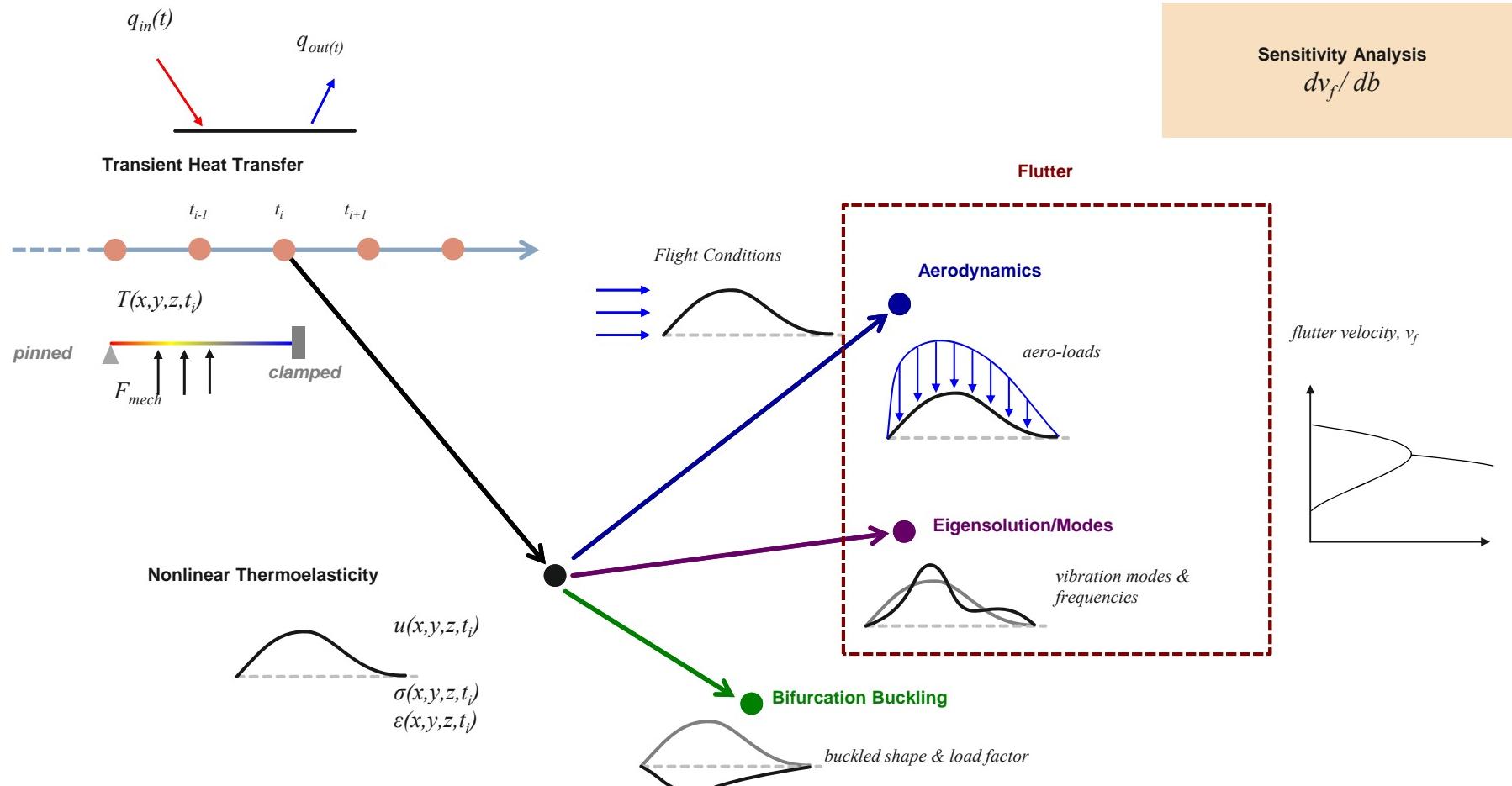
*transient nonlinear  
thermoelasticity*



*panel design for transonic flutter  
about nonlinear equilibrium*



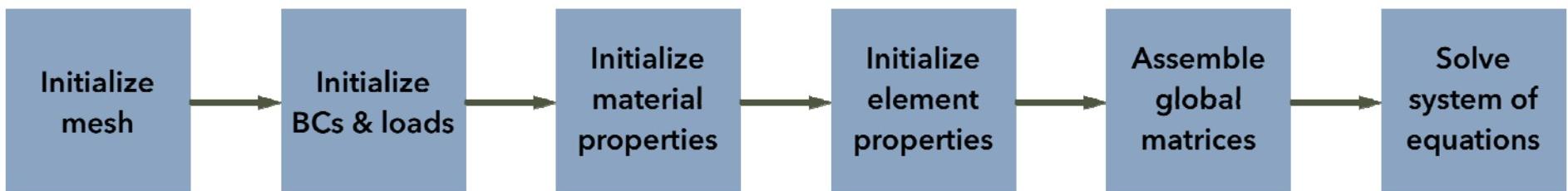
# Analyze Across Disciplines





# Solution Process

- MAST is a C++ programming library
- Steps to solve a problem:



- Currently requires writing a C++ program
- Versatile but complex approach
- Working on simpler interface for SAMS



# Integration with SAMS

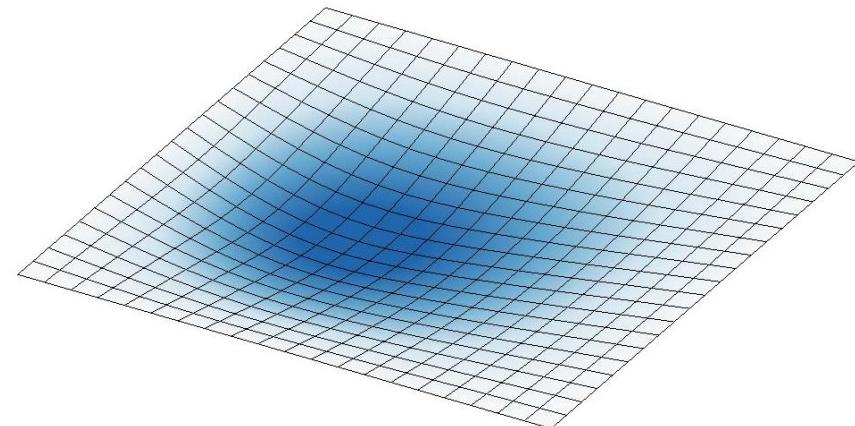
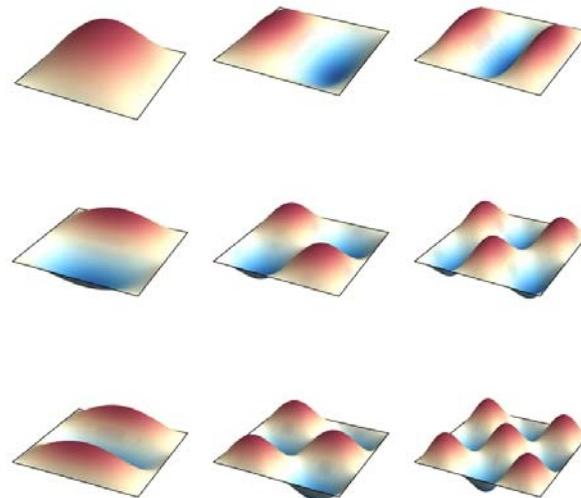


- Time-accurate fluid-structure interaction
- Multidisciplinary adjoint sensitivities
- Streamlined problem definition and execution
- Interface with geometry definition

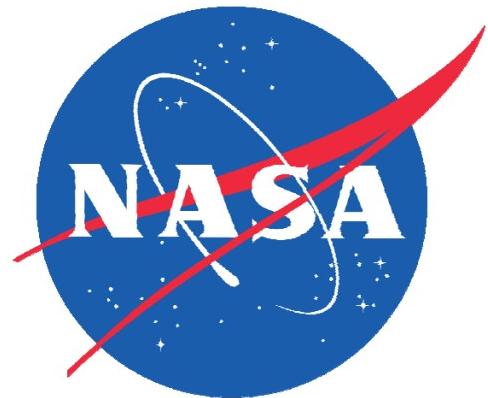


## Yet Another Mode-based Structural Solver

- Alternative to FUN3D modal solver
- Use to test modularity of structural solver



*simply supported plate w/ sinusoidal forcing*



## Test Cases

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# Overview

Case	<i>n</i> D	Flow	Structure
Vortex-induced vibrations	2D	transient	spring
Airfoil with gust	2D	transient	linear beams
Turek-Hron	2D	transient	hyperelastic flag
AGARD 445.6	3D	steady	linear modes
G-Wing	3D	transient	aluminum plate
X-56A	3D	steady	built-up structure
Tailless supersonic aircraft	3D	transient	rigid

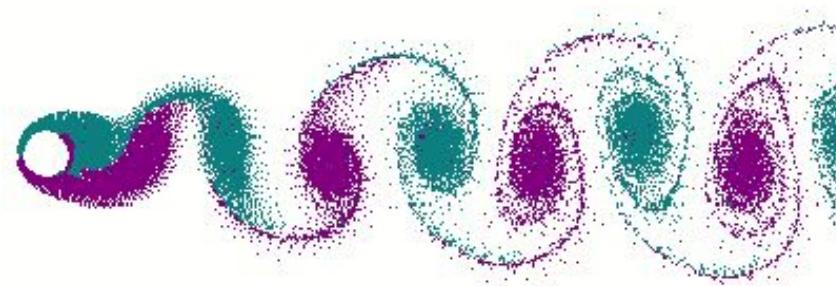
Incrementally demonstrate capability



# Vortex-Induced Vibrations



- Cylinder in cross flow, free to translate or rotate
- Vortical flow may induce vibrations in cylinder
- Parameters:  $k$ ,  $Re$

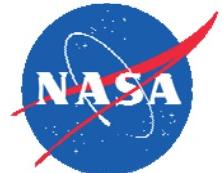


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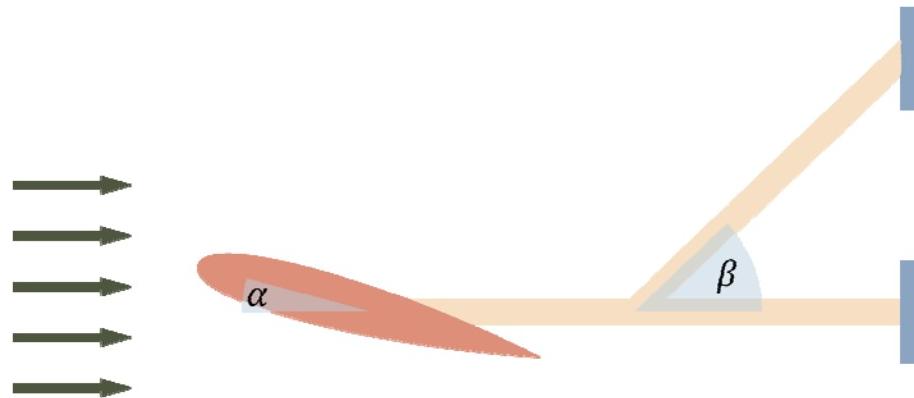
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# Airfoil in a Gust



- Sting-mounted airfoil in a transient gust
- Parameters:  $U_{g,max}$ ,  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $E$



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# Turek-Hron



- Rigid cylinder with an attached elastic structure
- Flow induces deformation in elastic structure
- Parameters:  $Re$ ,  $U$ ,  $\rho$ ,  $E$ ,  $\mu$



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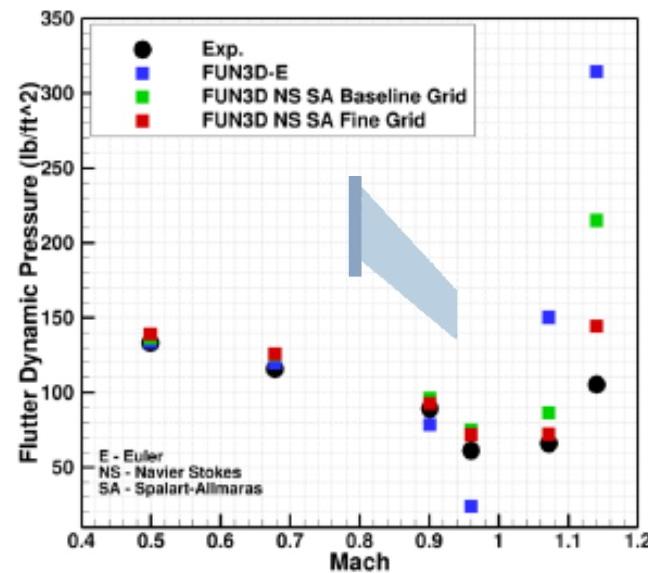
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# AGARD 445.6 Wing



- Standard aeroelastic benchmark problem
- Modal structure
- Parameters:  $M_\infty$ ,  $p_\infty$



Silva et al., AIAA, 2014-0496

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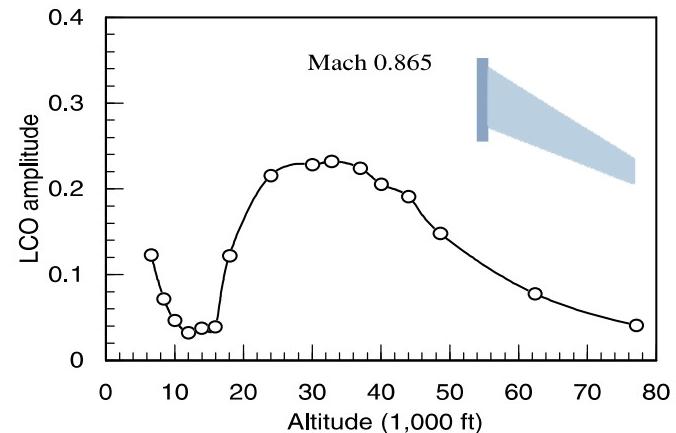
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# G-Wing



- Swept transport wing
- Nonlinear structure, exhibits high-altitude LCO
- Parameters:  $M_\infty$ ,  $h$ ,  $E$



Bendiksen, *J of Aircraft* 46.1

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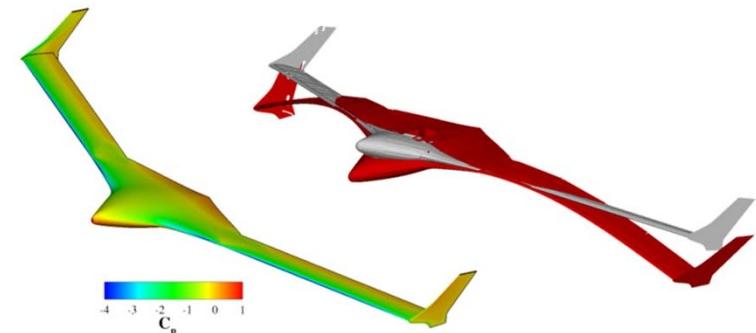
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# X-56A



- Flight-tested UAV with rigid and flexible wings
- Flutter suppression & gust load alleviation
- Parameters:  $M_\infty$ ,  $p_\infty$ ,  $K$



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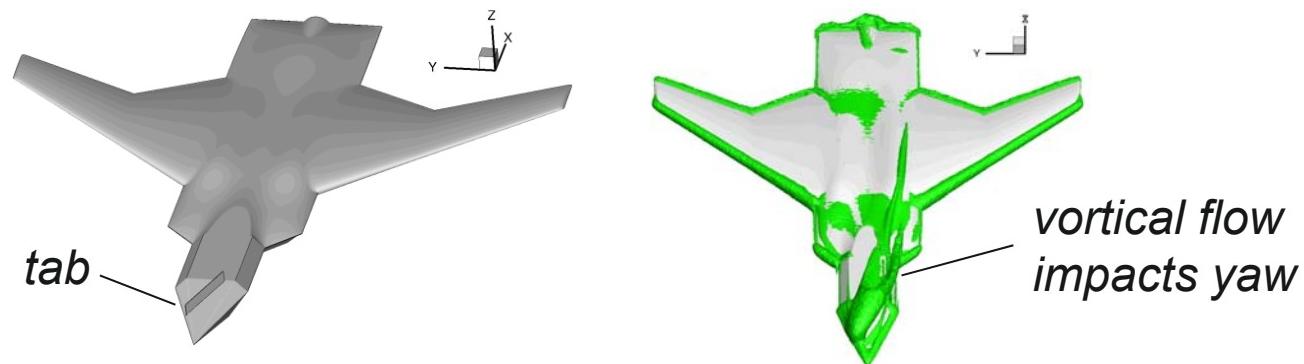
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# Tailless Aircraft



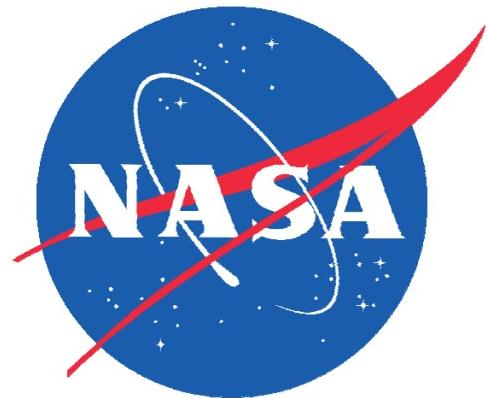
- Tailless supersonic aircraft
- Fuselage-mounted tabs improve yaw control
- Parameters: *tab shape and position*



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## Concluding Remarks

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# Progress



- Major changes to FUN3D are underway
- MAST improvements are readying it for SAMS
- Integration infrastructure ready for use
- Adopting FUNtoFEM ( ) for FSI

Next step: mode-based static aeroelasticity



# Personnel

- SAMS has been understaffed
- AFRL has had two unfilled contractor positions
  1. Filled in November
  2. Currently reviewing applicants
- NASA had one unfilled position
  1. Filled in October

Behind schedule, but pace accelerating



# Digital Collaboration

- Need to exchange source code and data files
- Existing "solutions" not working
  - AFRL unsuccessful getting full access to LaRC GitLab
  - NASA unsuccessful getting accounts to AFRL ELSZ
- Large file transfer mechanisms do work
  - But not good for collaboration

**Digital collaboration remains a significant problem**